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1. Willi Stoph, chief of the Office for Economic Matters in the DDR Government Chancellery, has advised West German businessmen of a drastic curtailment of all western imports for lack of hard currency.
2. He also stated that Ernst Erben has been removed as chief of the China Trade Corporation at the request of the Chinese Trade Delegation. His former associates have been advised to shun Erben.

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